provide for the Honours as well as the Pass courses. No progress could, however, be made in the matter as the continuance of Rajahmundry as a University centre for higher teaching was uncertain, the questions of University headquarters and centres having been the subject-matter of amending Bills in the Legislative Council. As a result of the passing of the Bills at the meetings of the Legislative Council held in January last, Rajahmundry will cease to be a centre and Honours courses cannot be opened at that place.

(d) The expenditure so far sanctioned is Rs. 88,163 and related to the acquisition of land. The award is the subject-matter of an appeal before the Privy Council.

(e) There is no proposal for undertaking the construction of the buildings in 1929–30.

Mr. K. V. R. Swami :—" May I know from the hon. the Minister whether he intends to apply for a supplementary grant in view of the fact that no provision has been made in the budget ? "

The hon. Dr. P. Subbarayan :—" This question will be considered next year. The Director of Public Instruction has been asked to submit proposals for inclusion in 1930–31 budget."

Mr. K. V. R. Swami :—" May I know, Sir, whether the estimates are ready ? "

The hon. Dr. P. Subbarayan :—" No, Sir. I mean with reference to the new scheme."

Mr. C. Ramasomayajulu :—" Is it not a fact that the scheme is eight years old ? "

The hon. Dr. P. Subbarayan :—" The old scheme was for an Honours college but the present scheme is only for a Pass college."

Mr. C. Ramasomayajulu :—" May we take it, Sir, that at least next year there will certainly be a provision made ? "

The hon. Dr. P. Subbarayan : —" Yes, Sir. That is the idea of the Government."

Mr. G. Harisarvottama Rao :—" Does the hon. Minister consider that one year's time is necessary for preparing these estimates ? "

The hon. Dr. P. Subbbarayan :—" It is the Public Works Department who have to prepare these estimates. I am not responsible for it."

Mr. G. Harisarvottama Rao : —" May I know, Sir, whether it is not part of the Minister's duty to expedite matters like this ? "

Museums

Museums in the Presidency.

* 1774 Q.—Mr. K. V. R. Swami : Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(a) the number of museums in this province ;
(b) where they are situated ;
(c) when they were established ;

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(*d*) by whom they are managed;
(*e*) the cost of establishment; and
(*f*) whether any grant is given by the Government to museums which they do not actually manage?

A.—(*a*) *to* (*d*) The Government have information only about the Government Museum at Madras and the museum at Rajahmundry under the management of the Municipal Council, Rajahmundry. The former was established in 1851 and the latter in 1856.

(*e*) The Government Museum and the Connemara Public Library, Madras, are under the control of one officer. The amount provided in the budget estimate for 1928–29 for the pay of officers and establishment for the two institutions is Rs. 44,600. The annual expenditure on the museum and botanical gardens at Rajahmundry is reported to be about Rs. 3,000.

(*f*) No.

Mr. C. GOPALA MENON:—"Is there any proposal to start museums in the mufassal?"

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN:—"No, Sir."

Mr. K. V. R. SWAMI:—"Will the hon. the Minister be prepared to make any grant to the Rajahmundry museum?"

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN:—"No, Sir."

Mr. K. V. R. SWAMI:—"May I know the reason, Sir?"

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN:—"Because we have got to develop the Government Museum at Madras."

Mr. K. V. R. SWAMI:—"In view of the fact that the Government have already invested so much in Madras, is it not proper that the mufassal should also get a part of it?"

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN:—"Madras is the centre of the Presidency and the museum is open to everybody."

Mr. G. HARISARVOTTAMA RAO:—"May I know whether it is the policy of the Government not to encourage the development of other museums until the museum at Madras is perfectly complete?"

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN:—"It is not the policy of the Government. This will be seen from the fact that the Government have not objected to the Rajahmundry museum."

Mr. K. V. R. SWAMI:—"In view of the fact that Government maintain the museum from public funds, should not the mufassal get a part of the public funds?"

The hon. the PRESIDENT:—"I do not think the hon. Member can adduce arguments in putting supplementary questions."

Mr. K. V. R. SWAMI:—"May I know whether the Government would give at least a small grant for the Rajahmundry municipality?"

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN:—"It is not possible."

Mr. C. GOPALA MENON:—"Is it the object of the Government that mufassal museums should be developed by local bodies?"

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN:—"That is so."